Example Letter of Support / Partnership Commitment – Please place on organization's letterhead and return to Eric Larson by <u>November 10, 2008</u>

(*Insert Date*)

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Re: Letter of Support for U.S. EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant

Dear Mr. Larson:

(*Insert organization name*) is pleased to be partnering with the City of Georgetown in the application and implementation of U.S. EPA Brownfields Grants. It is our understanding that the City will submit to EPA a 2009 Brownfields Assessment Grant application requesting a total of \$400,000 for the November 14, 2008 deadline.

We applaud and support your efforts to pursue grant funding in order to continue assessment and cleanup planning at eligible sites within the City of Georgetown. This funding will help the City continue its momentum toward brownfield redevelopment and will further strengthen public/private partnerships for such redevelopment. In addition, this funding will allow the City to continue the important work of identifying and addressing threats to the environment and public health, preserving and protecting greenspace, and allowing for the revitalization of our local communities and economy.

We are proud to be a part of this important environmental and economic initiative in the City. We understand that our role as a partner in this project will be to participate in the City's brownfield advisory committee. Our specific commitment will include participation in public outreach activities, including public meetings and roundtable discussions about the program, assisting with the inventory and prioritization of eligible properties, encouraging the participation of local property owners, as well as attending semi-annual meetings of the brownfield advisory committee to discuss and provide advice to the City in its grant-related efforts.

The U.S. EPA Brownfield Grants provide a valuable means to achieve our goals of revitalizing and maintaining healthy and vibrant communities throughout the City. We hope that EPA will look favorably upon the City's application for funding. Please call me at (*insert phone number*) if we can answer any questions or assist in any way with your brownfields efforts.

Sincerely,